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"AN ACT CONCERNING RECYCLING PLANS FOR PAPER AND PACKAGING AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT GOALS."

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Commissioner of 4 Energy and Environmental Protection shall consult with the

5 Connecticut Conference of Municipalities, the Connecticut Council of

6 Small Towns, and waste authorities and operating committees, in

examining factors that increase the cost of recycling to municipalities

8 and recommendations for reducing such costs. Not later than March 1,

9 2020, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall

10 submit recommendations to the joint standing committee of the

11 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the

12 environment for increasing the value of recycled commodities,

13 decreasing the costs of recycling for municipalities, and any

14 amendments to the state's designated recyclable items or the state's

15 system for recycling such items.

Sec. 2. Subsection (f) of section 22a-220 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(f) On and after January 1, 1991, each municipality shall, consistent with the requirements of section 22a-241b, make provisions for the separation, collection, processing and marketing of items generated within its boundaries as solid waste and designated for recycling by the commissioner pursuant to subsection (a) of section 22a-241b. It shall be the goal to recycle twenty-five per cent of the solid waste generated in each municipality provided it shall be the goal to reduce the weight of such waste by January 1, 2000, by an additional fifteen per cent by source reduction as determined by reference to the statewide solid waste management plan established in 1991, or by recycling such additional percentage of waste generated, or both. For planning purposes, it shall be the goal of each municipality to dispose annually of not more than seven hundred pounds per capita from residential sources of municipal solid waste by January 1, 2022, and not more than five hundred pounds per capita from such sources by January 1, 2024. The failure to meet such per capita goals shall not provide a basis for the commissioner to issue an order pursuant to this chapter. The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to require municipalities to enforce reduction in the quantity of solid waste. On or before January 1, 1991, each municipality shall: (1) Adopt an ordinance or other enforceable legal instrument setting forth measures to assure the compliance of persons within its boundaries with the requirements of subsection (c) of section 22a-241b and to assure compliance of collectors with the requirements of subsection (a) of section 22a-220c, and (2) provide the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection with the name, address and telephone number of a person to receive information and respond to questions regarding recycling from the department on behalf of the municipality. The municipality shall notify the commissioner within thirty days of its designation of a new representative to undertake such responsibilities. A municipality may by ordinance or other enforceable

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- 50 legal instrument provide for and require the separation and recycling
- of other items in addition to those designated pursuant to subsection
- 52 (a) of section 22a-241b.
- Sec. 3. Subsection (j) of section 22a-220a of the general statutes is
- 54 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 55 passage):
- 56 (j) If a collector hauls solid waste generated in this state, including 57 recyclables as listed in subsection (c) of section 22a-208e, [from an
- 58 entity located in the state other than a facility that has obtained a
- 59 permit or authorization pursuant to this chapter and delivers such
- solid waste or recyclables to a destination that is an entity other than a
- 61 facility that has obtained a permit or authorization pursuant to this
- 62 chapter,] then on or before [July 31, 2011] October 1, 2019, and
- 63 annually thereafter, such collector shall submit a report regarding such
- 64 solid waste, including recyclables, to the Commissioner of Energy and
- 65 Environmental Protection. Such report shall be on a form prescribed
- by the commissioner and shall provide such information regarding
- 67 such solid waste as the commissioner deems necessary, including, but
- 68 not limited to: (1) The types of solid waste, including recyclables,
- 69 collected, (2) for municipal solid waste, the municipality of origin of
- 30 such municipal solid waste including recyclables, (3) the amount by
- 71 weight, volume or other method acceptable to the commissioner of
- such solid waste, including recyclables, [delivered to such destination,]
- 73 and (4) the name, address and contact information of the entity
- 74 receiving such solid waste or recyclables.
- 75 Sec. 4. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Department of Energy and
- 76 Environmental Protection shall, within available resources, provide
- 77 technical assistance to municipalities for organics management, waste
- 78 reduction and improvements to recycling systems.
- 79 Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Department of Energy
- 80 and Environmental Protection shall, within available resources,
- 81 provide online forms for the reporting of solid waste data not later

than January 1, 2021, and shall thereafter publish a report annually of materials management data on its Internet web site, which shall include estimates of the average amount of residential municipal solid waste disposed per capita and other data determined by the department to be helpful to state and municipal planners. Not later than January 1, 2021, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, shall submit a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment concerning progress in implementing the requirements of this section.

Sec. 6. (NEW) (Effective from passage) The Recycle CT Foundation, Inc., established in accordance with section 22a-228a of the general statutes, through the Recycle CT Foundation Council and its board of directors, shall solicit and accept funds from individuals, corporations and philanthropic organizations to be used for the purpose of making grants to programs that align with its mission and that advance the state's solid waste management goals, including, but not limited to, increasing the rate of recycling and reuse of solid waste materials in the state, promoting the diversion of organic materials from the waste stream, promoting waste reduction, decreasing the contamination rates of recyclables, decreasing litter and marine debris, promoting market development, and supporting the foundation's educational and advertising programs to increase effective participation in recycling. The board of directors of the RecycleCT Foundation may allocate a budget for fundraising and may retain the services of fundraising professionals to implement the provisions of this section."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section
Sec. 2	from passage	22a-220(f)
Sec. 3	from passage	22a-220a(j)
Sec. 4	from passage	New section
Sec. 6	from passage	New section

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